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1. From noon to 5 p.m. on 7 September, there was no flying at Jueterbog-Altes Lager airfield. Seven, eight and three jet bombers were parked at the eastern and northern edges of the field and in front of the three north-south hangars respectively. One jet bomber was seen in the center hangar. Two twin-engine planes fitted with single rudder assemblies, radial engines and nose wheels in addition to four IL-10s were also seen.

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2. At 9 a.m. on 12 September, flying was in progress at the field. Groups of three jet bombers each took off in quick succession for local flights, the second plane beginning to taxi when the first became airborne. The planes circled over the field and landed in quick succession. This sort of school flying lasted until about noon. At 11:55 a.m., a ground attack plane with a red propeller hub landed. At 12:05 p.m., nine jet bombers took off in quick succession, and assembled in formations of three after flying a left curve. About 12:10 p.m., six jet fighters crossed the field, circled and then disappeared. After 2 p.m., the nine jet bombers, which still flew in formations of three, returned. The planes of the individual formations landed on the runway in quick succession. At 9 a.m. and 12:15 p.m., source observed a jet bomber fitted with auxiliary fuel tanks and towing an air sleeve in the vicinity of the installation. Flying discontinued about 2:30 p.m. A light rain began about 3 p.m.

3. The radio trucks usually parked by the side of the runway were not seen on 12 September. Source observed trees being felled in the approach lane in the eastern extension of the runway. Seven or eight fuel tanks, six meters long and about 1.8 meters high, which were not dug in, were seen at the fuel dump at the southern edge of the airfield. (2)

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4. There was no change in the status of the AA emplacement at the eastern edge of the installation. Tents were observed at the southern edge of the field, possibly indicating the existence of an additional AA emplacement. Four AA guns and eight tents were observed by the side of the runway on the southwestern border of the field. (3)

5. On 26 September, flying at the field began before 9 a.m. Flying by single-engine planes discontinued about 9 a.m. Thereupon, groups of two jet bombers each took off in quick succession for local flights. When the first bomber landed, the

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second plane would circle over the field before landing. Flying continued until about 11 a.m., when weather conditions became worse. At 12:40 p.m., a jet bomber took off. When flying discontinued, the aircraft taxied to their parking sites. Seven jet bombers each were observed at the northern and eastern edges of the field. Four jet bombers and eight ground attack planes were parked east of the hangars. An additional 9 to 12 ground attack aircraft were seen near the taxiway. Dark numbers 3, 5, 45, and 100 were identified on jet bombers. Four radio trucks fitted with rod antennas were seen, including two south of the runway, one at the southeastern edge of the field, and one at the fuel dump in the southern portion of the installation.

6. At 3 p.m. on 26 September, five AAA guns with an estimated caliber of 85 mm were entrained at the Jueterbog-Altes Lager railroad station. Eleven trucks were also seen. Since empty flatcars were still available, source inferred that additional guns and trucks were expected at the station.

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7. On 8 September, source observed a device of undetermined use east of Altes Lager between the water purification plant and the athletic field.

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It perhaps might be used for aiming practice by light AAA guns or machine guns.

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(4) Source saw several class rooms with maps and charts on the walls in one of the buildings behind the southwestern hangar. Soviet women in uniform were quartered in the northeastern buildings of this block. The other buildings quartered a total of four units of 100 to 200 men each.

8. From 1 to 2 p.m. on 9 September, an IL-28 [ ] was towing an air sleeve. Prior to the take off of this plane, source observed the sleeve target being fastened to a hook, possibly a snap hook, suspended from a rope extending a short way through a tube. When the plane was airborne, the rope with the sleeve target was given greater play. (5)

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9. On 8 and 9 September, source observed 24 jet bombers at the field, eight of which were parked in front of the hangars. Two ground attack planes were seen in front of the repair hangar. Tank trucks [ ] were observed.

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10. Aircraft observed at the field on 18 September included 7 jet bombers fitted with auxiliary fuel tanks, parked in front of the destroyed hangars on the east side of the field; 9 jet bombers also fitted with auxiliary fuel tanks in front of the northern hangars; 8 jet bombers in front of one of the north-south hangars; 2 twin-engine planes parked in front of the repair hangar; and 10 ground attack aircraft in front of the southern of the north-south hangars. The seven IL-28s parked in front of the destroyed hangars on the east side of the field [ ]

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Maintenance work was performed by groups of three men each on all planes [ ].

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A ULL-25 jet bomber [ ] was flown. This bomber was not fitted with an auxiliary fuel tank.

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Source observed that an air sleeve was being fastened to IL-28 [ ] before it took off. (5) Before its engine was started, four men entered the plane, i.e., one via a ladder on the right front side of the fuselage, two from the left side, and the fourth climbed into the tail gun position.

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11. At 11:20 a.m. on 24 September, a swept-back jet fighter [ ] took off and landed again at noon. Six ground attack planes [ ]

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[ ] besides two swept-back jet fighters without auxiliary fuel tanks [ ] were seen in the southern part of the three north-south hangars. Five ground attack planes [ ]

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[ ] were parked in front of this hangar. The latter five planes took off and landed once.

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12. Aircraft observed flying from 1 to 3 p.m. on 25 September included five ground attack aircraft [REDACTED] IL-28s  
 25X1 [REDACTED] a ULL-28 [REDACTED]  
 25X1 [REDACTED] and two swept-back jet fighters [REDACTED]  
 25X1 Once, a ground attack, a bomber and a fighter plane took off at an interval of one minute each. A bell-like device about 30 cm in diameter was seen attached to the end of a tube projecting from below the rear of the fuselage of an IL-28 jet bomber [REDACTED] On 26 September, a ground attack plane, a jet bomber and a swept-back jet fighter took off in the same manner as observed on the preceding day. (6)  
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 13. Three aircraft revetments were being constructed on the foundations of the destroyed western hangar; 16 additional revetments were nearing completion south of the center of the runway at the border of the terrain covered by brushwood. (7) [REDACTED] a sketch of the radio installation observed on the roof of the southern of the three north-south hangars. (8) [REDACTED]  
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25X1 [REDACTED] Comments.

(1) The reporting sources differentiate between the reconnaissance and bomber aircraft stationed at Jueterbog-Altes Lager by indicating their parking sites. It is believed that the air reconnaissance regiment is equipped with 22 IL-28s and the bomber regiment with eight IL-28s in addition to some IL-10s. The IL-10s observed at the field are believed to belong to the ground attack regiment in Reinsdorf. As previously, the training included individual and formation flying in addition to practices involving air sleeves.  
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 25X1 [REDACTED] the plane is believed to belong to the bomber regiment whose IL-28s were increased from five to eight.  
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(2) According to previous information, 30 to 36 fuel containers measuring 2 x 6 meters were available in the fuel dump at the southern edge of the field. The arrival of seven or eight new containers of the same type increased the storage capacity of the dump from 600,000 to about 750,000 liters.

(3) The AAA emplacements observed were known previously. The entraining of five AA guns is reported for the first time and cannot be explained.

(4) For sketch of the device, see Annex 1.

(5) For sketch of attachment of slave targets on IL-28s, see Annex 2.

25X1 (6) Mig-15 [REDACTED] was previously seen in Finow and Marupping; red No 392 is reported for the first time. The purpose of the take-off by a ground attack plane, a bomber, and a fighter cannot be determined. For sketch of the position of the planes shortly after their take-off, see Annex 3.

(7) The construction at the field of aircraft revetments is reported for the first time.

25X1 (8) The erection of a mast on the roof of this hangar was reported previously. [REDACTED] The type of the installation cannot be determined. For sketch of the radio installation, see Annex 4.

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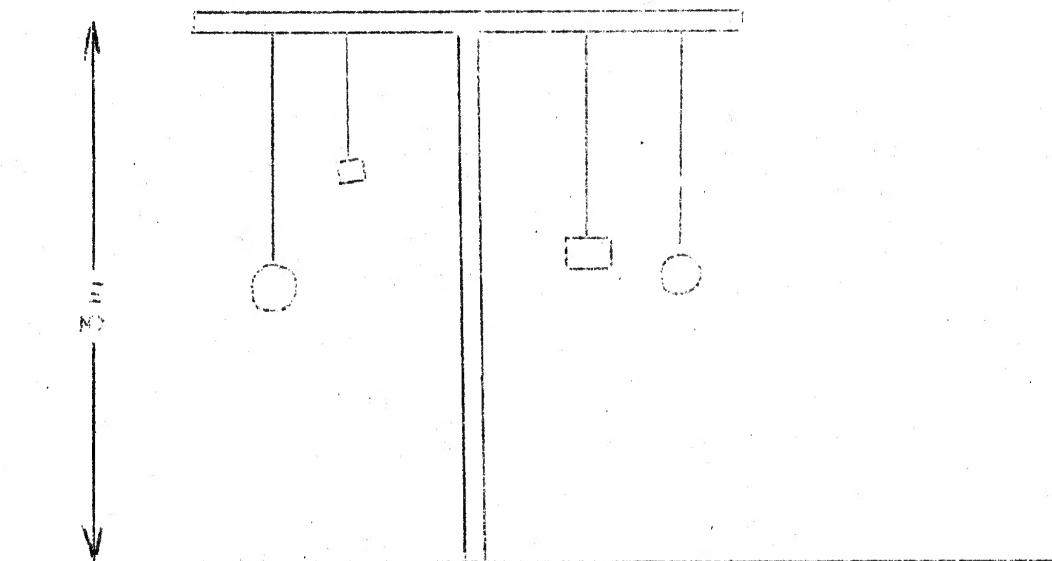
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Annex 1

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Device Seen at the Jueterbog-Altes Lager Airfield

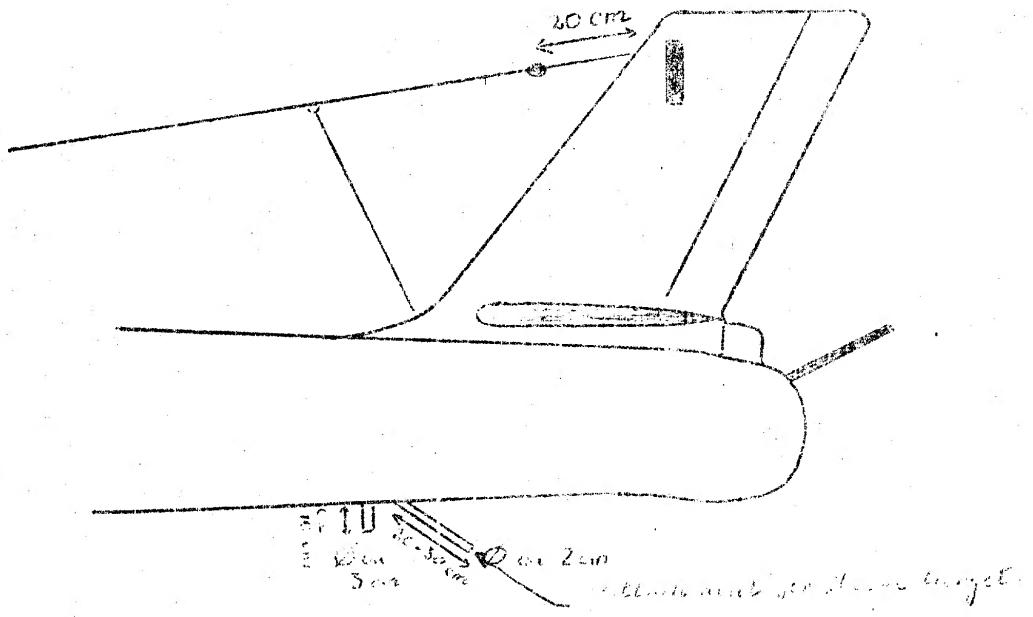


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Attachment for Sleeve Target on IL-28s

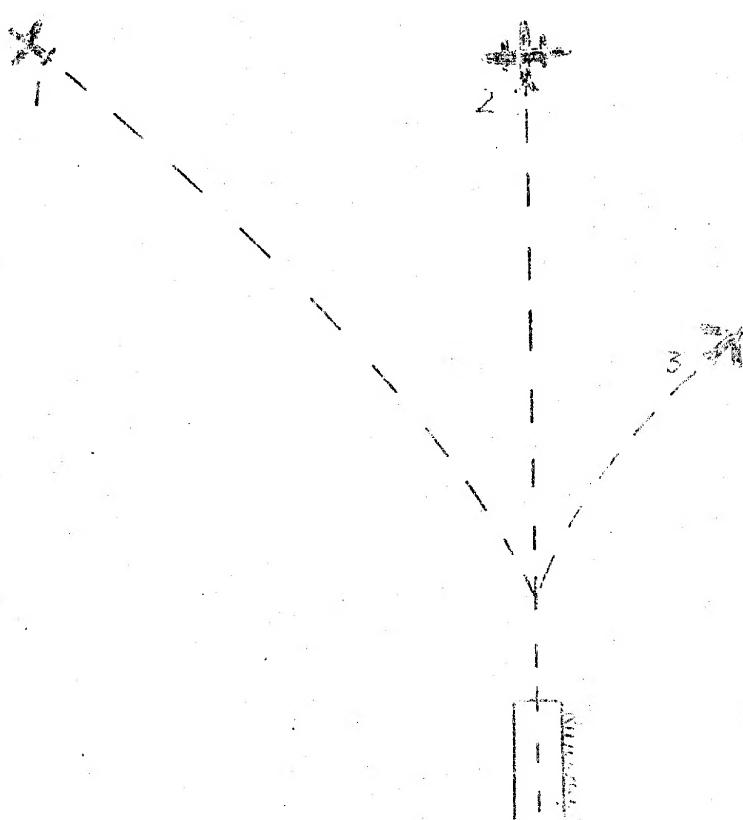


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### Take-Off Pattern Observed at Justerboog Altes Lager Airfield

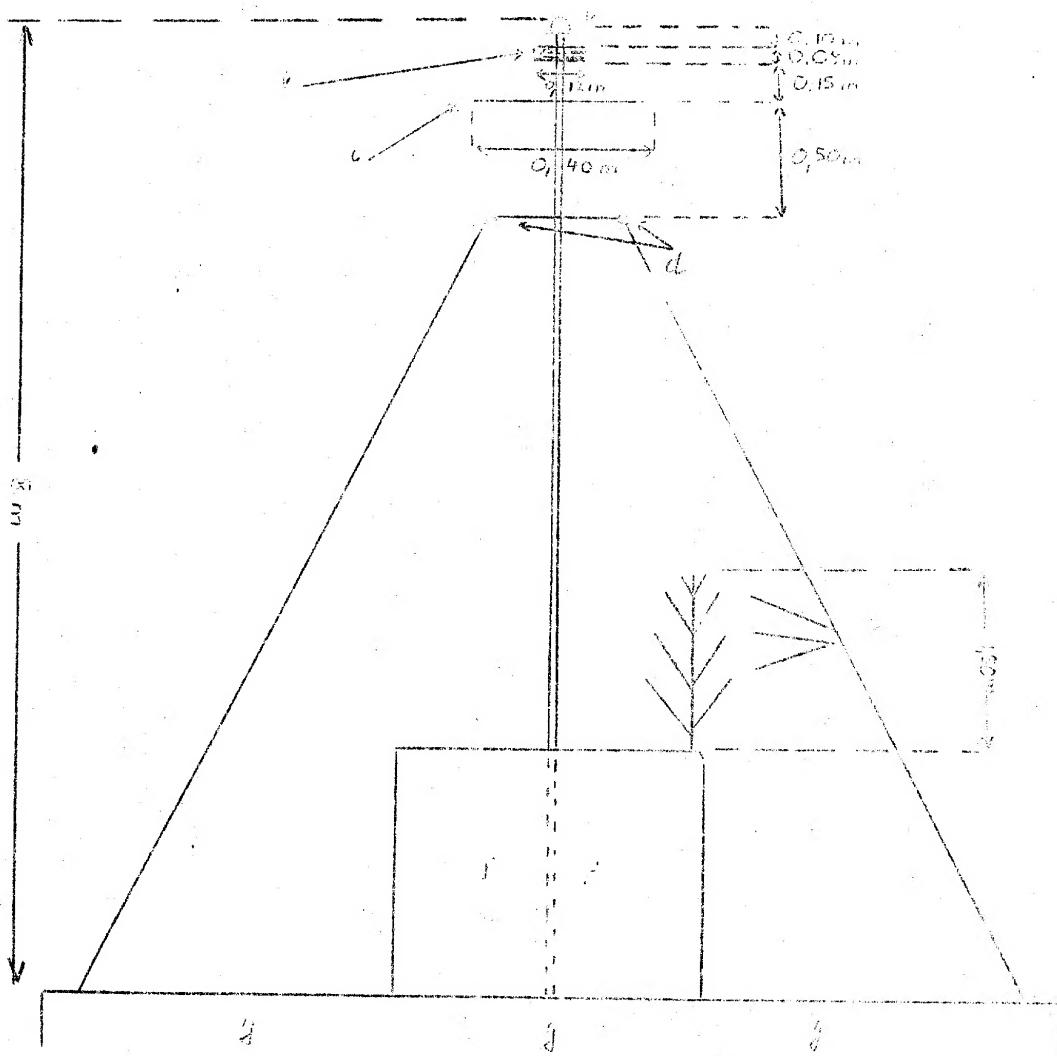


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## Radio Installation Observed at the Field



## Legend:

- a Red lamp
- b Rectangle of sheet metal, 8 x 12 cm
- c Cross bar with reinforced ends
- d Insulators (?)
- e Antenna; the antenna was not connected to the equipment
- f Wooden cabin
- g Hanger

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